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### DEMOLITION PERMIT APPLICATION

O Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_  
F FEE: \_\_\_\_\_  
F U  
I S SPECIAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
C E  
E TOTAL FEE: \_\_\_\_\_

Type or print in ink

1. Building Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Description of proposed work: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Owner of Property: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
4. Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
5. Type of building construction: \_\_\_\_\_  
(wood, concrete, steel, etc.)
6. Size of building: width: \_\_\_\_\_ length: \_\_\_\_\_ height: \_\_\_\_\_
7. How is building occupied: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of stories: \_\_\_\_\_  
(residence, business, industrial, etc.)
8. Will street or sidewalk be blocked or obstructed during demo? \_\_\_\_ yes; \_\_\_\_ no. If yes,  
then you are required to obtain a permit for street obstruction from the Traffic  
Department and/or sidewalk obstruction from the Public Works Department.
9. Does the building have stormwater and/or sanitary sewer connections? \_\_\_\_ yes; \_\_\_\_ no. If  
"yes", has Public Works (349-4848; 147 Hampshire Street) been contacted and a sewer  
cap inspection scheduled? \_\_\_\_ yes; \_\_\_\_ no. If it is necessary to excavate in the City right-  
of-way to complete the sewer cap(s), a Street Opening Permit is required from Public  
Works.
10. Estimated cost of demolition: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
11. A copy of the property plot plan showing the extent of demolition is required with the  
filing of this application.

**PLEASE NOTE:** (a) Site will be inspected by the building official prior to demolition. (b) A copy of any environmental assessments for the site may be required by this department before work is allowed to start. (c) As a minimum, a narrative description of the demolition plan is required prior to issuance of the demolition permit. At the option of the building official, depending on the complexity of the project, demolition plans certified by a registered engineer or architect may be required. (d) Applicant is required to submit evidence that demolition has been coordinated with abutting property owners. In addition, abutting property owners and the building inspector are to be notified 24 hours prior to start of demolition. (e) Certification that the structure does not contain asbestos must be provided from a licensed contractor. Asbestos removal and disposal must be performed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor. Permits are required by this department and the state prior to asbestos removal. (f) Certification must be provided by a licensed exterminator that the premises are free from rodent infestation.

**THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS, QUOTED DIRECTLY FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE BUILDING CODE 6TH EDITION, ARE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PERMIT.**

**111.7 EXPIRATION OF PERMIT:** Any permit issued shall be deemed abandoned and invalid unless the work authorized by it shall have been commenced within (6) months after its issuance.

**111.12 REVOCATION OF PERMITS:** The Building Commissioner shall revoke a permit or approval issued under the provisions of this Code in the case of any false statements or misrepresentation of fact in the application or the plans on which the permit or approval was based.

**113.3 COMPLIANCE WITH PERMIT:** All work shall conform to the stamped or endorsed application and plans for which the permit has been issued and any approved amendments thereto.

**112.1 SERVICE CONNECTIONS:** Before a building or structure can be demolished or removed, the owner or agent shall notify all utilities having service connections within the building or structure, such as water, electric, gas, sewer and other connections. A permit to demolish or remove a building or structure shall not be issued until a release is obtained from the utilities, stating that their respective service connections and appurtenant equipment, such as meters and regulators have been removed or sealed and plugged in a safe manner. An inspection is required by the Cambridge Public Works Department of the sanitary and stormwater sewer line caps.

**112.3 LOT REGULATION:** Whenever a building or structure is demolished or removed, the premises shall be maintained free from all unsafe or hazardous conditions by the proper regulation of the lot, restoration of established grades and the erection of the necessary retaining walls and fences in accordance with the provisions of 780 CMR 33.

## DEBRIS

Taken from Chapter 1, Section 111.5 of the Massachusetts State Building Code.

As a condition of issuing a permit for the demolition, renovation, rehabilitation or other alteration of a building or structure, M.G.L. C40, S54 requires that the debris resulting therefrom shall be disposed of in a properly licensed solid waste disposal facility as defined by M.G.L. C111, S150A. Signature of the permit applicant, date and number of the building permit to be issued shall be indicated on this form and will be attached to the office copy of the building permit retained by the building department.

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. C40, S54 a condition of Building Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_ is that the debris resulting from this work shall be disposed of in a properly licensed solid waste disposal facility as defined by M.G.L. C111, S150A.

The debris will be disposed at \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Container \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Permit Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE:** The Permittee(s) by acceptance of this permit agree(s) to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Cambridge, and its employees, from and against any and all claims, demands and actions for damages resulting from operations under this permit, regardless of negligence of the City of Cambridge, and its employees, and to assume the defense of the City of Cambridge, and its employees, against all such claims, demands and actions.

**READ BEFORE SIGNING:** The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read and examined this application and that the proposed work subject to the provision of the Massachusetts State Building Code and other applicable laws and ordinances is accurately represented in the statements made in this application and that the work shall be carried out in accordance with the foregoing statements and in compliance with the provisions of law and ordinance in force on the date of this application to the best of his/her ability.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Lic. Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Lic. Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town      Tel. No.

Lic. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Owner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Owner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town      Tel. No.

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SIGNATURES AND CHECK POINTS

It is the responsibility of the applicant to secure signatures as listed below. Because of the possibility that a Public Hearing may be required prior to Historical Commission sign-off, it is suggested that they be contacted as early as possible in the process in order to minimize delay.

AGENCY	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE
Historical Comm. (Charles Sullivan - 349-4683)	831 Mass. Avenue		
Police Department (Dep. Sup. Pimentel - 349-3331)	2 Western Avenue		
Water Department (Ed SantaMaria - 349-4786)	250 Freshpond Parkway		
Fire Department (Fire Prevention - 349-4921)	491 Broadway		
Comm. Electric (Fred Martin - 800-642-7030)	46 Blackstone Street		
Comm. Gas Company (Bill McKay - 225-4620)	303 Third Street		
Dig Safe	1-800-322-4844	Control No.	

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - 831 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE (349-6100)

INSPECTOR	SIGNATURE	DATE
Environmental Health Inspector*		
Plumbing and Gas Inspector**		
Wiring Inspector***		
Building Inspector		
ISD Commissioner		
FINAL INSPECTION:		

\* Environmental Health Inspector will require certification from a licensed pest control contractor that the premises are free from rodent infestation.

\*\* Plumbing and Gas Inspector will require certification from a licensed plumber that plumbing connections to structure(s) being demolished are properly separated and capped.

\*\*\* Wiring Inspector will require certification from a licensed electrician that any power sources, including telephone, communications, and fire alarm cables, to or from the structure(s) being demolished have been deactivated and removed or secured such that they will not present a hazard to the public or adjacent properties during demolition.